

## **GEORGIA ABUSE NEGLECT EXPLOITATION (GANE)**

### *FREE APP FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT*

Law Enforcement personnel increasingly encounter situations where persons with diminished capacity appear to be wandering and/or lost. When someone is deemed to be unsafe, whether removed from an unlicensed personal care home or wandering; options available to place them temporarily in a safe location are limited.

To assist the general public and law enforcement the Georgia Department of Human Services – Division of Aging Services, the Alzheimer’s Association, and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation have created the Georgia Abuse Neglect Exploitation (GANE) App for Android, iPhone, and Windows phones. The app is free and can be found in the respective app store under EyeOn, LLC GANE.

The GANE app provides numerous resources on reporting agencies, such as Adult Protective Services (APS) and Health Care Facility Regulation (HFR), along with resource agencies. The app lists crimes that are directly against at-risk adults, how to report missing at-risk adults, how to find placement for at-risk adults, and what abuse, neglect, and exploitation looks like.

With an activation code, law enforcement will have direct access to report a Mattie’s Call, screening tools to gauge a victim’s financial capacity, and access to the Temporary Emergency Relocation Fund (TERF), which is a resource only for law enforcement, APS and HFR. TERF will assist in emergency placement for up to four consecutive nights for abused, neglected or exploited at-risk adults, and at-risk adults whose caregivers have been removed because of illness, arrest, or other reasons.

To obtain the law enforcement activation code, or to learn more about the app please e-mail [david.blake@dhs.ga.gov](mailto:david.blake@dhs.ga.gov) or [amanda.carter@dhs.ga.gov](mailto:amanda.carter@dhs.ga.gov).